

Library Director's Report

September 2016

Facility

- Met with Mike McGovern, Greg Marles, Bob Malley, Molly MacAuslan to discuss outstanding items from building project.
 - Greg will be working on offering suggestions for suitable site for sculpture Foundation is donating. Placement of below ground utilities a major consideration.
 - Terracotta facade / door facing Scott Dyer RD. The door will be painted to match the gray metal framing. Once that is complete, will reassess if the terracotta facade needs to be changed.
 - Children's Garden - Working with a local landscape architect on redesigning that space
 - Roof Garden - Planters will be extended further out. That will be handled by Facilities
 - Sound Issues - Facilities will coordinate with sound engineer for solutions
- We are looking to add some fixtures for the building. We have drawings and possibilities for the following that I will share at the meeting:
 - Benches by the new Adult Books
 - Shelving for new Adult AV to be located by elevator
 - Display tables by upstairs stair railing and/or empty space by computers
 - Newspaper racks
 - Endcap display shelving
 - iPad stand for Youth Dept

Staffing

- In the process of reviewing job descriptions and organizational structure, along with service needs to decide how best to deploy available position lines - one full time and one 24 hour/week
- I hope to have this review completed with new job descriptions in place and available positions posted by the beginning of November.

Programmatic

- Collections
 - Recently completely review of magazine collection. Have dropped some less popular titles and replaced with titles that we hope will freshen up interest in the collection

- Looking at ways to reorganize the Adult collections to make them more user friendly along with easier to find:
 - Merging Short Stories in with Fiction
 - Merging many Maine books in with regular Non-Fiction
 - Moving Newspapers and Magazines to more visible location
- After a slower programming month in September as we transitioned from summer programming and the community transitioned to back to school, we are gearing up and planning a full slate of late fall and winter programming.